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## WASHINGTON TALK

### *Understanding 'Chemistry'*

Dr. Richard Pipes is resigning from the staff of the National Security Council late this year to return to his teaching post at Harvard. He is leaving the White House, he says, because his two-year leave of absence from the university will be up in January. Mr. Pipes, a professor of



Soviet history, regarded here as a hardliner, said he would be going back to Harvard with "a better understanding of the chemistry of political decision-making," something he said was lacking in much of the academic world.

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